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VIA HAND DELIVERY

Hon. Sara Kyle, Chairman Tennessee Regulatory Authority 460 James Robertson Parkway Nashville, TN 37238

Re:

BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc.'s Entry Into Long Distance (InterLATA) Service in Tennessee Pursuant to Section 271 of

the Telecommunications Act of 1996

Docket No. 97-00309

Dear Chairman Kyle:

Counsel for Covad has brought to our attention an inadvertent disclosure of a few proprietary numbers in Al Varner's Rebuttal Testimony. To address Covad's concern, BellSouth is resubmitting and replacing pages 85-87 of Mr. Varner's Rebuttal Testimony with the specific order numbers redacted. Under separate cover, BellSouth is filing a proprietary version of pages 85-87 of the testimony, where the proprietary numbers appear.

To be clear, BellSouth is not revising or modifying Mr. Varner's testimony at all. Rather, BellSouth is simply redacting a few numbers from the public version of the testimony to ensure that Covad's proprietary information is subject to the terms of the Protective Order in this proceeding.

Copies of the enclosed are being provided to counsel of record.

Very truly yours,

M. Hicks

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William Weber, Esquire

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Ī	CLECs with its retail analogue comparison for 271 purposes. Also, the 10-day
2	average for Covad in March was based on only * * order and that order required
3	a dispatch to provision. The non-dispatch orders exceeded the retail analogue
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6	Q. MS. DAVIS STATES THAT BELLSOUTH REPORTED IN APRIL THAT AN
7	"ASTOUNDING" 20.00% OF COVAD'S LINE SHARED LOOPS HAD
8	TROUBLES WITH 30 DAYS OF INSTALLATION. AT THE SAME TIME,
9	BELLSOUTH REPORTED THAT IT'S RETAIL PERFORMANCE FOR THESE
10	LOOPS SHOWED REPEAT TROUBLES AT A RATE OF ONLY 2.74% WITHIN
11	30 DAYS. IS THERE ANY OTHER INFORMATION THAT NEEDS TO BE
12	INCLUDED WITH THIS ANALYSIS?
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14	A. Yes. Ms. Davis fails to state that there were only a total of * * orders completed
15	in the prior 30 days that required a dispatch and only 1 of those Line Shared
16	Loops had a trouble reported. The retail analogue had over 1700 orders
17	completed in the previous 30 days with a total of 48 troubles reported during the
18	period, which accounted for the 2.74%. This "astounding" rate was based totally
19	on * * trouble report.
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21	Q. ON PAGE 30 OF MS. DAVIS' TESTIMONY, SHE CLAIMS THAT BELLSOUTH
22	IS ABSOLUTELY NOT PROVIDING COVAD WITH PARITY TREATMENT FOR
23	MAINTENANCE AVERAGE DURATION. DO YOU AGREE?
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25	A. No. As shown in item E.3.3.7.2 in Tennessee for April 2002, BellSouth met or

1 exceeded the retail analogue comparison as determined by the modified z-score 2 analysis. There were only a total of * * non-dispatched reports completed in 3 April for this measure for Covad. BellSouth also met the retail analogue 4 comparison for the dispatched reports in April 2002. BellSouth is committed to provide parity of service to the CLECs with its retail analogue comparison for 271 5 6 purposes.

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8 MS. DAVIS STATES ON PAGE 30 OF HER TESTIMONY THAT FOR COVAD'S Q. 9 TWO MOST IMPORTANT LOOPS FOR REACHING TENNESSEE SMALL BUSINESSES, ISDN AND T-1 LOOPS, BELLSOUTH'S APRIL DATA FOR 10 11 TENNESSEE DEMONSTRATES SIGNIFICANT POOR PERFORMANCE FOR 12 COVAD: FOR ISDN LOOPS, BELLSOUTH'S CUSTOMERS HAD TROUBLE 13 WITH THEIR LOOPS APPROXIMATELY HALF AS OFTEN AS COVAD'S 14 CUSTOMERS, AND BELLSOUTH GAVE ITS OWN T-1 CUSTOMERS 15 SERVICE THAT WAS 156 TIMES BETTER THAN THE SERVICE THAT IT GAVE TO COVAD'S CUSTOMERS WITH 50% OF COVAD'S CUSTOMERS 16 17 EXPERIENCING PROBLEMS DURING THE MONTH AS COMPARED TO 18 ONLY 0.32% OF BELLSOUTH'S CUSTOMERS. DO YOU AGREE WITH THIS 19 COMPARISON?

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21 No. In April 2002, Covad customers reported * * troubles for the * Α. 22 service ISDN loops in Tennessee or a rate of 2.26%. The retail results for this 23 comparison indicated a rate of 1.27% for over 24,000 lines. There is a less than 24 1% difference in the report rate with all lines experiencing approximately 98% 25 trouble free service during the month of April 2002. For the 156 times better

1 service, Ms. Davis failed to include the fact the there was only 1 trouble reported for the * * in-service T-1 lines in Tennessee in April for Covad. Also, since the T-2 3 1 lines were not included in the maintenance disaggregation, there is no retail 4 analogue comparison for this product. Ms. Davis chose to use the Other Design 5 product as the retail analogue for her comparison. The Other Design retail 6 analogue has over 434,000 circuits in the retail analogue compared with the * * 7 Covad T-1 lines. The large number of circuits in the retail analogue compared 8 with the * * circuits in the Covad comparison accounts for the 156 times better 9 service calculation in her analysis. 10 11 MR. TIMMONS CLAIMS ON PAGE 40 OF HIS TESTIMONY THAT BELLSOUTH Q. CONTINUES TO BE NON-COMPLIANT WITH ITS SQM, DO YOU WISH TO 12 13 COMMENT? 15 Yes. BellSouth continues to provide excellent service to the CLECs in Α. 16

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Tennessee. In March 2002, BellSouth met or exceeded 88% of all measures 17 and excluding FOC & Reject Response Completeness - Multiple Responses, 18 met 91% of all sub-metrics during the month. As recognized by the FCC in all of 19 their 271 approvals, these service levels meet or exceed the acceptable rate for CLEC parity.

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- 22 DOES MR. TIMMONS' ANALYSIS OF THE TRENDS IN BELLSOUTH'S Q. PERFORMANCE ON PAGE 41 AND 42 TELL THE CORRECT STORY? 23
- 24 No. First, Mr. Timmons disregards the level of service that is being provided in Α. 25 his analysis. He also uses a straight up comparison of the results rather than

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